# **ARIZONA HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMISSION**

# April 24, 2012 MINUTES

The Arizona Historical Advisory Commission (AHAC) met at 11:18 a.m. on April 24, 2012 at 1700 West Washington St., Room 200, Phoenix, AZ 85007. (Full transcript available on request)

### **Members Present**

| Dora Vasquez, Chairman   | Juliana Yoder, Citizen<br>Public Member                                    |
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| James Garrison<br>State Historic Preservation Officer<br>Arizona State Parks | Joan Clark, Director; Arizona State Library, Archives & Public Records     |
| Teresita Majewski, Historic Sites Review Committee – via phone               | Marc Ashton<br>CEO, Foundation for Blind Children – via phone              |
| Carol Warren, Citizen<br>Public Member – via phone                           | Lisa Schnebly-Heidinger, Citizen<br>Public Member – via phone              |
| John Langellier, Director<br>Sharlot Hall Museum – via phone                 | Anne Woosley, Executive Director<br>Arizona Historical Society – via phone |
| Karen Churchard, Citizen<br>Public Member – via phone                        |  |
| Members Absent   |  |
| The Honorable Ken Bennett<br>Secretary of State                              | Scott Cancelosi, Citizen, Public Member                                    |
| Catherine May, Public Member, SRP  | Mark Stanton on behalf of Sherry Henry<br>Arizona Office of Tourism        |
| Karen Liersch – Department of Education                                      | Beth Grindell, Arizona State Museum  |
| Jay Ziemann, Arizona State Parks   |  |
| Staff Present  |  |
| Anne Wallace – AHAC Consultant   |  |
| Members of the Public Present  |  |
| Mr. Don Ryden, Architect   | Mr. John Lewis, Grandson of Ernest McFarland                               |
| Mr. Vincent Murray, Historian  |  |

# CALL TO ORDER

Dora Vasquez, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:18 a.m.

# INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Vasquez noted there are several Commissioners attending the meeting via phone. She announced that the agenda will be taken out of order.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### LEGACY PROJECTS

Mr. Garrison lead the discussion on Centennial Legacy Projects (CLP) as Ms. Vasquez has an application under discussion. Mr. Garrison asked Ms. Yoder to give her report. She noted that AHAC received an enormous batch of applications which are the final ones to be reviewed by the Programs Committee as no more Centennial Legacy Project applications will be accepted.

# Ms. Clark moved and Mr. Langellier seconded a motion to approve the recommendations of the Programs Committee. The motion was approved unanimously.

Ms. Vasquez noted that the past AHAC Chairman and the State Librarian verbally offered \$3,000 to the Arizona Centennial Book project, an amount above that normally provided to any CLP. However, no funds have been given to this project.

During the following discussion on the amount available for projects and a projected amount that might be requested, Ms. Wallace stated that approximately \$77,240, including the \$3000 for the Centennial Book, may be requested by CLPs. This figure is based on verbal and/or written communication between Ms. Wallace and the CLPs. Currently there is about \$52,000 in the budget for projects.

Ms. Clark suggested that projects be sent a letter asking them to reconfirm their interest in receiving funds and that the letter include a deadline within which a reply must be received by AHAC. After receipt of these requests, AHAC will better be able to determine how to equitably distribute the remaining funds. The letter will state that the funds available are limited. AHAC will defer until the next meeting, the final amounts provided to CLPs. It will be based on replies received by the deadline.

A motion was made by Mr. Garrison and seconded by Ms. Clark to fund the "Arizona, One Hundred Years Grand!" Centennial Legacy Project at \$3000 to satisfy the verbal commitment. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Yoder completed her report noting that 203 applications were approved as Centennial Legacy Projects slightly surpassing the goal of 200. There are projects in every county except Gila.

Juliana Yoder was awarded a gift of an original James Garrison drawing of the San Xavier Mission framed because her committee was the only committee that constantly worked on Legacy Projects to present. James Garrison thanked her for her hard work.

#### CALL TO THE PUBLIC

# **BOLIN PLAZA MEMORIALS**

There were three guests who came to present on the McFarland Memorial update at Bolin Plaza. They were Mr. Tom Lewis, grandson of Governor McFarland, Mr. Vincent Murray, historian and Mr. Don Ryden, Architect. Mr. Ryden presented information, through a PowerPoint, on the McFarland memorial, which is being updated to highlight a gateway of inspiration that focuses on the American dream, using triplets reflecting key portions of his life. Mr. McFarland was Governor, Chief Justice and Senator. Incorporated in the public presentation will be line art and

QR codes as well as a timeline of what it was like to be living in Arizona from the 1930's during the Depression.

Ms. Clark stated that she planned to discuss the new World War II memorial – the text of which must be reviewed by AHAC just as that of the McFarland Memorial must be approved.

Ms. Clark made a motion to appoint two people to review the text for the World War II and McFarland memorials – one person from the State Archives and the other reviewer from the Arizona Historical Society. Mr. Garrison seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Garrison moved and Mr. Langellier seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2012 and April 13, 2012 meetings. The motion was approved unanimously.

# **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Ms. Vasquez reported that she received a very nice letter from Linda Radke, applicant of the CLP "Rattlesnake Rules," thanking the commission for the very nice rejection letter. The sculptor for the Goldwater statue has a bio in the "7<sup>th</sup> Annual Cowgirl UP!" art exhibit catalog stating that she will be preparing the statue for Statuary Hall.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Ashton reported that the fundraising for the Goldwater statue is behind schedule. The fundraiser has only raised \$200,000 so far for the project. We have received an invoice for \$46,000 from the fundraiser. We have also received other invoices totaling \$30,000 for Yescalis Campaign Solutions fundraising efforts. Ms. Wallace noted there is another \$15,000 invoice for the tribute video which is in addition to the other invoices. The Commission has an obligation of \$125,000 to the artist for the statue and is responsible for a \$3,000 insurance policy agreed upon at the last meeting.

Mr. Langellier made a motion to pay \$3,000 for the insurance policy, \$46,000 for expenses and hold off paying the events planner \$30,000 and \$15,000 for the tribute video for now. Ms. Churchard seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Ms. Vasquez confirmed with Mr. Ashton that he would be speaking with Mr. Yescalis about AHAC's concern that if Mr. Yescalis does not fulfill his obligations, the project is in jeopardy.

#### CENTENNIAL MEDALLIONS

Ms. Wallace reported that she did not complete the statement that was to accompany the medallions. A letter signed by Ms. Vasquez is being sent to each person buying a gold medallion indicating the number of the medallion. She reported that Ms. Churchard's staff is working with her to place the medallions on the Centennial Commission's website to increase medallions sales.

#### **GOLDWATER STATUE**

The contract with, Ms. Fellows, the artist of the Goldwater statue has been completed. The contract divides her fee into three payments with benchmarks to be completed prior to payment.

There is a \$31,000 payment coming due within the next week or so. AHAC will be working with Ms. Fellows to get photos of the maquette and the base so they can be forwarded to the Architect of the Capitol to begin the approval process.

# **FUTURE MEETING DATES**

Ms. Vasquez reminded Commissioners that meeting will be held quarterly unless there is need for additional meetings. The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for July 12, 2012 in Prescott. Mr. Langellier and Ms. Wallace will work out the logistics.

# **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Please pass future agenda items on to Anne Wallace for the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 p.m.